DRUGS REQUIRING CERTIFICATE OR RELEASE, FOR WHICH NONE HAD BEEN ISSUED

4361. Misbranding of penicillin G potassium tablets. U. S. v. 39 Bottles, etc. (F. D. C. No. 36452. Sample Nos. 52959-L, 52960-L.)

LIBEL FILED: March 16, 1954, Eastern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about November 20, 1953, from Terre Haute, Ind.

PRODUCT: Penicillin G potassium tablets. 39 100-tablet bottles and 60 1,000-tablet bottles of 50,000-unit tablets and 19 100-tablet bottles and 35 1,000-tablet bottles of 100,000-unit tablets at Woodside, N. Y., in possession of Henry Schein Physicians & Hospital Supplies.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION: The tablets were shipped in bulk from Terre Haute, Ind., and upon their receipt by the consignee, were repackaged and relabeled.

LABEL, IN PART: (Bottle) "Buffered Penicillin Tablets Crystalline G Potassium."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Misbranding, Section 502 (1), the article purported to be and was represented as a drug composed wholly or partly of a kind of penicillin, and it was not from a batch with respect to which a certificate or release had been issued pursuant to the law. The article was misbranded while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: April 19, 1954. Henry Schein, Woodside, N. Y., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be released under bond for the purpose of obtaining certification from the Food and Drug Administration and for relabeling the product.

4362. Misbranding of penicillin-dihydrostreptomycin bougies. U. S. v. 65 Vials, etc. (F. D. C. No. 36176. Sample Nos. 83393-L, 83394-L.)

LIBEL FILED: December 8, 1953, District of Minnesota.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about January 26 and September 22, 1953, by Veta-Vite Products, Inc., from Buffalo, N. Y.

PRODUCT: Penicillin-dihydrostreptomycin bougies. 65 vials and 11 packages, each vial and package containing 25 bougies, at Minneapolis, Minn.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Misbranding, Section 502 (1), the article purported to be and was represented as a drug composed partly of penicillin and streptomycin, and it was not from a batch with respect to which a certificate or release had been issued pursuant to Section 507; and no such certificate or release was in effect with respect to the article.

DISPOSITION: March 8, 1954. Default decree of destruction.

VIOLATIVE SALES OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

4363. Misbranding of penicillin G potassium, dihydrostreptomycin sulfate, penicillin G potassium tablets, secobarbital sodium capsules, and tablets containing a mixture of sulfathiazole, sulfadiazine, and sulfamerazine. U. S. v. Orville Jackson (Eagle Drug Store). Plea of nolo contendere. Sentence of 1 hour's imprisonment suspended. (F. D. C. No. 35760. Sample Nos. 76131-L to 76135-L, incl.)

INFORMATION FILED: January 26, 1954, District of Idaho, against Orville Jackson, trading as Eagle Drug Store, Eagle, Idaho.

NATURE OF CHARGE: On or about June 17, 22, and 30, 1953, while quantities of the above-mentioned drugs were being held for sale at the Eagle Drug Store, after shipment in interstate commerce, the defendant caused quantities of the drugs to be dispensed without a prescription from a practitioner licensed by law to administer such drugs. Such acts of dispensing were contrary to the provisions of Section 503 (b) (1), and resulted in the dispensed drugs being misbranded while held for sale.

Disposition: February 8, 1954. The defendant having entered a plea of nolo contendere, the court imposed a sentence of 1 hour's imprisonment. The sentence was suspended.

4364. Misbranding of dextro-amphetamine sulfate tablets and pentobarbital sodium capsules. U. S. v. Lloyd Mayswinkle (Lloyd's Drug Store), and Harry J. Roberts. Pleas of guilty. Each defendant fined \$100 and placed on probation for 2 years. (F. D. C. No. 35772. Sample Nos. 61746-L, 61747-L, 61750-L, 61751-L.)

INFORMATION FILED: January 26, 1954, District of Kansas, against Lloyd Mayswinkle, trading as Lloyd's Drug Store, Kansas City, Kans., and Harry J. Roberts, an employee in the store.

NATURE OF CHARGE: On or about October 13 and 14, 1953, while a number of dextro-amphetamine sulfate tablets and pentobarbital sodium capsules were being held for sale at Lloyd's Drug Store, after shipment in interstate commerce, various quantities of the drugs were dispensed without a prescription from a practitioner licensed by law to administer such drugs. Defendant Mayswinkle was charged with causing the act of dispensing alleged in each of the four counts of the information, and Defendant Roberts was joined as a defendant in three of the counts. Such acts of dispensing were contrary to the provisions of Section 503 (b) (1), and resulted in the dispensed drugs being misbranded while held for sale.

Disposition: February 4, 1954. The defendants having entered pleas of guilty, the court fined each defendant \$100 on count 1 of the information, suspended the imposition of sentence on the remaining counts, and placed each defendant on probation for 2 years.

DRUGS IN VIOLATION OF PRESCRIPTION LABELING REQUIREMENTS

4365. Misbranding of penicillin G potassium. U. S. v. 83 Vials * * *. (F. D. C. No. 36303. Sample No. 83501-L.)

LIBEL FILED: February 2, 1954, Southern District of Iowa.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: During November or December 1953, by the Gland-O-Lac Co., from Omaha, Nebr.

PRODUCT: 83 vials of penicillin G potassium at Des Moines, Iowa.

LABEL, IN PART: "One Million Units Crystalline Penicillin G Potassium Salt 20 cc. Size Vial * * * For Parenteral Administration * * * Caution: Federal Law Prohibits Dispensing Without Prescription."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Misbranding, Section 502 (f) (1), the labeling of the article failed to bear adequate directions for use; and, Section 503 (b) (4), the article was not intended for use by man, and the label bore the statement "Caution: Federal Law Prohibits Dispensing Without Prescription."

DISPOSITION: March 5, 1954. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.